



Vallejo Police

Press Release

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Patrol Division

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Robbery Arrest



Joseph Romer Age: 22

Narrative

Vallejo Police Officers responded to 1920 Solano Avenue, Church's Chicken, on a reported armed robbery. Upon arrival, Officers discovered the suspect had fled, but gathered information related to clothing description and the presence of a gun.

While officers were speaking to the store manager, Joseph Romer, age 22 from Vallejo, appeared from the east parking lot of Church's Chicken walking westbound toward the location of officers. As Romer walked towards Solano Avenue, officers loudly ordered him to stop numerous times.

Officers attempted to detain Romer but he became uncooperative and had to be subdued with a taser.

Romer was positively identified by witnesses as the person responsible for the robbery at Church's Chicken. There was no actual loss, and the gun was simulated, but Romer was in possession of \$1800.00 which he discarded prior to being taken into custody.

It was later discovered after Romer committed the robbery at Church's Chicken, he fled the business and committed another robbery at Rite Aid, 2021 Solano Avenue, one block east. After committing a robbery at Rite Aid, Romer ran back towards Church's Chicken where he was apprehended.

Romer was booked into Solano County Jail on two counts of robbery and resisting arrest.

Romer has an extensive arrest history with the Vallejo Police Department including robbery, driving under the influence, domestic violence and petty theft.

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